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Art of Recycling Exhibit Debuts at Pasco Upcycle & Art Festival

~~High school students showcase environmental awareness through art~~

PASCO COUNTY, FL ---- The annual **Art of Recycling** show, where Pasco high school students showcase environmental awareness by transforming trash into art, will debut this year for the first time at the **Pasco Upcycle & Art Festival** Saturday, **November 17, 2018**.

Everyone is encouraged to attend the festival in New Port Richey's Sims Park and vote for their favorite piece in the "Life Among the Oceans" themed exhibit.

"This is a wonderful new venue, and we're thrilled to open the show at the Pasco Upcycle and Art Festival," said Keep Pasco Beautiful Coordinator Kristen King. "We're excited for more people to see the amazing talent of our local students."

The art will be displayed November 17, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Peace Hall located at 6431 Circle Blvd., in New Port Richey, where visitors will be able to vote for their favorite exhibit. You can also cast your vote online through Nov. 25 at: www.facebook.com/KeepPascoBeautiful.

The exhibit will be on display again at the West Pasco Government Center from November 19, 2018, to January 11, 2019. Winner of the People's Choice Award will receive \$100.00.

Students are judged on artistic ability and on the environmental relevance in respect to the theme. Judging takes place in 13 categories, including Best Use of Aluminum, Best Use of Plastic, Most Innovative and Best Environmental Concept. Each category carries a \$100 cash prize. First, second and third place artists overall will receive \$1,000, \$750 and \$500 respectively.

The Pasco Art of Recycling contest and exhibit helps raise awareness of the Arts and encourages recycling. The event is a co-operative project of Pasco County Schools, Pasco County Recycling and Education, Keep Pasco Beautiful and Covanta Pasco.

For more information about the [Art of Recycling](#), please visit: bit.ly/PascoAOR.

Learn more about [Keep Pasco Beautiful](#) here: keepascobeautiful.org.